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FORMER D&S OIL GAS STATION Douglas County, Illinois

INTRODUCTION

In many Illinois communities, there are abandoned gas stations or other facilities with no responsible party to pay for cleaning up leaking underground storage tanks. These environmental hazards prevent economic revitalization across the state. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) intends to close out as many abandoned or orphaned leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites as possible and issue a No Further Remediation Letter to facilitate the redevelopment of the property for productive re-use as quickly as possible.

THE THREAT OF CONTAMINATION

Leaking USTs are a significant source of environmental contamination and may pose the following threats to human health and safety:

- ✗ fire and explosion;
- ✗ inhalation of dangerous vapors;
- ✗ contamination of soil and groundwater;
- ✗ contamination of drinking water;
- ✗ contamination of streams, rivers, and lakes.



CORRECTIVE ACTION: AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), U.S. EPA has provided funding to Illinois EPA and other states to pay for these cleanups. Illinois EPA plans to use its current remediation consultants and contractors to investigate and perform the necessary clean-ups.

Corrective action, by State contractor Bodine Environmental Services, at the former D&S Oil site involved removal of five USTs which began on September 9th and was completed September 17th. During the tank pull an oily sheen and gasoline odors were observed which prompted calling in an incident to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency as standard procedure. Next, Illinois EPA will task engineering contractor, SHAW, to complete further investigation of the soil and groundwater to determine the extent of contamination. Investigation is expected to take place fall of 2009. Once the





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extent is determined a remedy will be developed and likely implemented no later than spring of 2010. The Village of Newman is the current owner of the property. At this time it is unknown what the future use will be.



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<http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/economic-stimulus/index.html> - Leaking Underground Storage Tank Program Information